

See What You Can Get For Nothing In Our Piano Contest

Building Prospects Good For Coming Season

Two Big Brick Blocks May Be Erected On Main Street Among Other Ventures

A handsome two-story brick building may be erected in the early spring by T. J. Lockhart of Dundalk, a big Bassano investor, who has in town, Christmas week, investigating what is wanted for the town next year.

Mr. Lockhart is seriously entertaining the idea of erecting the block on his prop-

erty at the north east corner of Second street, and Second avenue. If this idea is carried out it will mean the extension of the business section into the westerly end of Second avenue, and from the plan Mr. Lockhart has in mind, the building will greatly enhance the beauty of the street.

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STILES, 'The Druggist,' wishes you a



We wish to thank our patrons for their business last year, and for the confidence they placed in us.

We have tried to deserve the CONFIDENCE of the community by using in our preparations and prescriptions only the purest, freshest drugs.

The Rexall Store

The Busy Store

BASSANO ALTA

We Wish You a

HAPPY NEW YEAR

We will make the New Year happier for you by offering at its very commencement

Linen Goods at a . . .
Substantial Reduction

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The Bassano Trading Co.

Bassano Is On Eve Of Record Breaking Year

Once again Bassano stands on the threshold of another year. What does 1913 hold in store for it? The past year has been fraught with solid progress. Building has gone on apace, population has advanced materially, businesses have thrived and grown, and now speculation is rife as to what the future, freely translated as the C. P. R. have mapped out for this year.

At the present moment we are dependent upon the plans (not the whims) of the C. P. R. plus the efforts of a wide awake Board of Trade. But the Board can only follow the road, and so we anxiously turn to the announcements of the C. P. R.

It has been definitely announced that details of the rail-road construction program for 1913 will be made known after the annual meeting in January. Then we shall truly empty our stockings and what shall we find?

Announcement that the northwest line will be operated shortly; that the Swift Current cut-off will be rushed as much as possible; that more ditch work than ever will be done around Bassano; that the big Dam will be completed and ready for testing this year; that there will be built an enlarged road house and additional trackage; while we also hold a promise that perhaps there may be a mention of a north and south line?

Bow Valley Hockey Schedule

Date	At Bassano	At Brooks	At Gleichen	At Strathmore
Dec. 27	Brooks			
Jan. 2		Bassano	Gleichen	
Jan. 5	Strathmore	Brooks		
Jan. 8		Gleichen	Strathmore	Bassano
Jan. 10	Brooks	Bassano	Gleichen	
Jan. 12		Strathmore	Bassano	
Jan. 17	Gleichen		Brooks	
Jan. 20	Strathmore	Gleichen		Bassano
Jan. 27				
Feb. 3				

Watsons' Jewelers



Announce that they are now prepared to supply the wants of the public in all lines pertaining to the Jewelry business.

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Jewelers and Diamond Merchants
P. O. Box 94 2nd AVE., BASSANO

Standard Coal Can Be Had Around \$5 Per Ton

Fine Grade of Lignite/Coal Awaiting Development if Market Can Be Found

Just being developed there last, Standard only 35 miles from Bassano one of the richest and longest seams of sub-bituminous coal in the whole of the Province.

If it was at full working capacity, and if the C. P. R. would commence the operation of a coal train along the new branch line to the northwest, Bassano could buy this fine grade of coal at around \$4.50 and \$5.00.

J. E. Kilborn the agent of the Standard Coal and Development Company which is organizing the mine, believes it can be placed on the cars at Standard, averaged, for \$3.50. He estimates that rights from Standard to Bassano cannot be over 50 cents per ton. The cost of handling here and delivery should not be over a dollar, so that Bassano would be able to procure its winter supply at \$5.00 per ton, instead of the \$7.00 it is paying at the present moment.

With the line, unworked however, and the promoters faced with the prospect of the installing of more expensive machinery it is unlikely that it can be operated for the benefit of Bassano this winter.

The mine seems satisfactory in every respect. Numerous drill holes have shown the seam varying from 2 to 8 feet in depth averaging sixty feet below the surface, and running the whole length of the company's land 700 acres. A sloping shaft has been sunk and machinery capable of hauling 250 tons per day has already been installed. The local market is big however and to enlarge the field now machinery will have to be installed.

To this end 50,000 shares with a call of 25 will be placed on the market shortly. The News was shown a sample of the coal mined, it was clean and had the appearance of oil-bearing coal. Above is no disputing the advantage that would accrue if facilities placed, this mine within one reach of the Bassano market, strong efforts will be made to supply the town during the coming winter in preparation for the next season. The Company consists of the present moment of John Rasmussen, the Larsons, Arthur Myrland, J. E. Myrland, Miss Laura Jensen, all of Standard.

BASSANO GETS XMAS GREETINGS

New Jersey Firm Congratulate Town On Progressiveness in Letter to R. C. Pegler

Christmas congratulations to Bassano were sent this week by the firm of E. Hiller and Co., from remote Pomona, New Jersey, via R. C. Pegler, which are worth reproducing and go to show the splendid impression of Bassano acquired by outsiders.

Mr. Hiller says: "I understand the town is spending \$100,000 for waterworks, borrowed from the First National Bank of Chicago. I am well acquainted with one of the officers of the above bank, and I congratulate the people of Bassano upon their enterprise and push, you are sure to have a substantial city in a short time and property in and around Bassano will be valuable."

P. S. We have a foot and a half of snow on the ground for Christmas.

WEATHER MAN FORBIDS FIRST HOCKEY GAME

It is too bad we are having such California weather from the hockey standpoint. The two opening games of the season between Gleichen and Strathmore and Brooks and Bassano in the Bow Valley League were postponed Friday last on account of the weather. The weather man says that the ice is too thin to stand at a moment's notice, but the players are fighting him tooth and nail and as soon as a patch of ice appears the rink is open with it. For the sake of the season tickets the Weather Man has promised a change around New Year season tickets for sale at the News office.

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THE HARDWAREMAN

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Deputy Minister of the Interior.
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